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FIRE, WATER AND SMOKE DOES DAMAGE AT CHARLEROI HOTEL

Flames Originate in Furnace Department--Express Company's Office Damaged

FIRE DEPARTMENT IS PROMPT

Efficient Work Prevents Costly Blaze—Heroic Rescues of Women From Top Floors Amid Thick Volumes Of Smoke Spectacular.

Damage that so far has not been estimated was done by the combined effects of fire, smoke and water at the Charleroi hotel and in the Adams' Express company's office and ware rooms Tuesday afternoon between 5 and 6 o'clock. The fire originated in the furnace room, supposedly from an overheated furnace, and was confined to this one room. The densest kind of smoke, coal smoke, filled the hotel and made exit for inmates by means of the fire escape necessary. The work of assisting frightened women to safety through the dense volumns of smoke that belched from every possible crevice in the basement added to the spectacular scene. The promptness of the Charleroi fire department and the hard work of the firemen saved what might have proven to be a very costly blaze.

Attaches of the hotel discovered the fire at precisely 5:30 o'clock, and turned in the alarm. It was but a moment from then until the smoke was rolling in thick volumns from the basement and making all parts of the hotel unihabitable. The stairway was filled with smoke. Members of the family of W. H. Zellers and guests who happened to be in their rooms at the time, as well as the hotel help were driven to the fire escapes.

The fire department was there on the jump almost before the alarm stopping sounding. Chemical hose and water hose were strung into the basement to combat a fire that could not be seen.

The smoke became all the thicker and the fright of the inmates all the more pronounced as it rolled up the sides of the hotel. One frightened girl, who had rushed from a room on the top floor of the hotel to the fire escape became so terror stricken at the appearance of the smoke that it was feared for a moment she would jump to what would have been sure death below. Her screams pierced the air, but she was led safely down the fire escape.

The fire was a most difficult one to fight, though not especially difficult to control. The smoke prevented firemen from getting at the source, and they had to break their way through

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COYLE THEATRE

Tomorrow.

Jesse L. Lasky presents Dustin Farnum in the Fascinating Southern Dramatic Romance Cameo Kirby. Coming Monday Miss Mary Pickford in Cinderella. 186-tf

Return engagement. March 1, "Tillies Punctured Romance," Coyle Theatre. 179-tf.

DR. KIRBY SPEAKS TO CHARLEROI TEACHERS AT THE HIGH SCHOOL

First of Series of Meetings For Teachers Held Tuesday Evening Goodly Number Present.

The first of a series of meetings for teachers was held in the high school auditorium Tuesday evening, when Dr. Thomas J. Kirby, professor of education in the University of Pittsburg, made an address on the subject of "Importance of Teachers in Service." The meeting was well attended. L. R. Crumrine county superintendent of schools was present but made no talk. The high school quartet composed of Ralph Hickey, Ernest Dorbritz, Curtis Collins and Russel Carl sang.

Valentine Social.

A Valentine social will be given by the Protected Home Circle in their hall, Friday evening, February 12. Admission 10 cents. Everybody welcome. 186-t3

ORAL HYGIENE IN THE SCHOOLS

Ellsworth-Cokeburg Directors Put New Plan Into Operation

LOCAL DENTIST IS SECURED

Oral hygiene will be given much attention henceforth in the Ellsworth and the Cokeburg schools. Dr. G. H. Smith of Charleroi has been engaged by the directors as the dentist for the two schools and will make daily examinations of the teeth of pupils there. In addition to this the principals of oral hygiene will be taught through the use of picture films, illustrated slides, lectures and personal advice.

It has been arranged that the work of examination will begin at once; and as condition of the teeth of each child is learned, a careful record will be made and tabulated. As treatment is given records will be checked.

NEW CONSTABLE NAMED TO SUCCEED MURDER VICTIM

Upon petition the court has appointed John Sanders as constable of New Eagle to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Peter J. Kromer who was murdered recently.

Every Quarter.

The Kirk and Clark quarterly Remnant Sale has come to be an established event in Charleroi and neighborhood. Many thrifty people avail themselves of these periodical bargain events to secure bargains on all staple necessities in the dry goods line. Their next Remnant Sale will begin on Saturday morning. 186-t2

Roland Greenawald spent Wednesday in Pittsburg.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR YEAR REPORTED AT THE CHARLEROI-MONESSEN HOSPITAL

Board of Directors Holds Meeting and Work is Gone Into in Detail--Twenty Physicians Accept Invitation to Become Members of Staff

Prospects of the Charleroi-Monessen hospital are brighter for the coming year than at any time previous, according to reports made at the meeting of the board of directors at the institution at North Charleroi Tuesday evening. At the meeting 20 acceptances of the general invitation to physicians to become members of the medical and surgical staff including several from Bentleyville and Ellsworth were read, together with the four or five applications for the superintendency of the institution that have been made. Action on the staff matter and the election of a superintendent was deferred until February 17 or 18, when another meeting of the board will be held.

The hospital work for the year was divided under four heads, committees being named by President Carey L Schuck to have charge. The personnel of these committees is made up as follows:

Executive—John W. Cornell, J. J. Cushing, R. A. Roberts.

Staff—Kerfoot W. Daly, S. L. Woodward, A. N. Shuster.

Building and grounds—Eli H. Wolfe, Herman A. Heupel, L. J. Mitchell.

Ways and Means—W. R. Gaut, J. A. Sheetz, Mrs. J. H. Arnold, Christy Roberts, Mrs. John L. O'Brien, S. L. Woodward.

The ways and means committee, which will be one of the most important, will have in charge matters pertaining to the membership, appropriations work with auxiliaries and outside support.

A report was made that the Ladies Auxiliary at Monessen had at their monthly meeting Tuesday afternoon made preparations for refurnishing the kitchen of the hospital. This would include supplying a new range, dishes and other utensils.

NOT MUCH RAILROAD WORK DURING YEAR

Extensions Few in Washington County During 1914—Six Miles of Track Constructed In The Vicinity Of Langeloth.

Railroad extension work in Washington county in the year 1914 was confined to one small piece about six miles in length from Langeloth, near Burgettstown, to the Cedar Grove coal works in Jefferson township now owned by the Vernon Coal company. This is an important road, however and it is believed that it is the beginning of another extension that will be made from its terminus which will connect up large coal fields with the Ohio river and the Panhandle railroad at Burgettstown. The Montour road through Washington county was completed during the year and passenger and freight traffic established.

All grading and tunnel work was completed on the Chartiers Southern road which connects Marianna with the B & O at Eighty-Four and the Pennsylvania system at Van Eman station. Everything along this line has been made ready for the laying of track and the construction of bridges. The tunnel at Glyde which is 1,300 feet in length was completed early in the winter and all timbers placed. The concreting will likely not be started for some time. All the masonry work was completed early in the summer and there remains nothing to be done now except the building of the bridges and laying the track.

The construction work on this road began in April, 1913 and at the beginning of the year 1914 the big tunnel at Glyde had been driven into the hill 200 feet. The other 1,100 feet was digged out in 1914. On this road are 44 bridges and only two of these have been built.

The road is 18.65 miles in length

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SUCCESSFUL COTTAGE PRAYER MEETINGS HELD

Preparing Now For Tabernacle Meetings to Begin in Charleroi February 18—Tomorrow's Meetings Are Announced.

In preparation for the tabernacle meetings to begin in Charleroi February 18, successful cottage prayer meetings are being held. Tomorrow evening meetings will be held at the homes of H. M. Furnier, at 213 McKean avenue, Mrs. Mary Moffitt at 809 Lookout avenue, Dr. T. M. Faddis at 521 Washington avenue, D. C. Whitlatch at 124 Fallowfield avenue and Jacob Zollars at North Charleroi. Tonight's prayer meetings will be at the First Christian and Baptist churches, these being two churches most vitally interested in the meeting.

WEST MIDDLETOWN WOOL BRINGS PRICE OF 30 CENTS A POUND

Record Sale Reported From Western County Section Monday—Other Good Prices Paid.

Wool brought the record price in recent years in sales reported in the West Middletown section Monday when fleeces were sold for 30 cents a pound. The purchaser was John E. Perrin of Independence. It is said that Mr. Perrin purchased practically all the product in that vicinity, about 12 to 15 clips.

Sales are being reported from different parts of the county but the price paid at West Middletown is the highest since the present activity in wool as well as in several years.

Quarterly Remnant Sale Saturday and Monday at Kirk & Clark. 186-t2

SKATING TODAY AT CHARLEROI POND

ROAD BUILDING PROPOSALS APPROVED; NEW TAX FAVORED

REFRACTORY WITNESS FINED AND SENTENCED TO PRISON

James Neal Gets Severe Lesson on Answering Questions Put to Him By Counsel.

James Neal, colored, one of the commonwealth's witnesses in the Verdis homicide case at Washington has learned that it is best to answer every question asked by counsel in court.

Neal got a little stubborn and refused to answer a question on cross examination Tuesday. Counsel for the defense appealed to the court to have the witness answer. Neal was still persistent in keeping quiet. Judge McIlvaine disposed of the matter when he fined Neal $15 or 30 days in jail. Neal is now staying with Sheriff Lutton, not having the necessary $15. He had answered that he had talked over the testimony he had given with another person. The name of the other person, if there was any such person, he refused to divulge.

ENDEAVOR FOLK VISIT ELLSWORTH

Local People Help in Rendition of Program in Celebrating Endeavor Week

FORTY MAKE TRIP FROM HERE

A party of about 40 Christian Endeavor workers from Charleroi visited at Ellsworth Tuesday evening and helped in the rendition of a program, it being a part of a celebration of Christian Endeavor week now being observed.

An address of welcome was made by Mrs. Beck of Ellsworth with the response being by Miss Mamie Rockwell of Charleroi. The local program carried out was as follows: Reading, Miss Esther Wyatt; vocal solo, Miss Emma Clutter; piano duet, Miss Marguerite Whitlatch and Miss Bethel Bowman; addresses, Mrs. E. H. Allman and John Clutter; reading, Miss Marie Whitehead; piano solo, Miss Leila Orange; selection by Washington Avenue Boys' Quartet, Marion Kinder, Donald Enix, Horace Nutt, John Jeffries.

A banquet followed the rendition of the program and toasts were responded to by Rev. Chittick of Ellsworth and Rev. John R. Burson of Charleroi.

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Bake Sale.

The ladies of the Dorcas bible class of the M. E. Sunday school will hold a bake sale at Frye's hardware store 518 Fallowfield avenue, Saturday afternoon, Feb. 13. W&F

Grand Jury Broaches Important Matter in Its Report to Court

APPROVES NEW POLICE FORCE

Body Approves Plan to Have State Constabulary Men Located At Various Sections of County—Liquor Violations Mentioned.

The grand jury Tuesday approved the two roads laid before it Monday the Pleasant Grove road in South Franklin township and the Buffalo road, extending from the end of the improved Washington-West Middletown road towards Buffalo Village. The former road is 14,428 feet in length and the latter 5,910 feet. The former is estimated to cost $64,227.35 and the latter $24,810.70. At the hearing Monday the jury inquired very thoroughly of the commissioners the policy pursued in road building, the condition of the county as to road building and per cent of taxes expended for such purpose. The jury completed its work Tuesday and was formally discharged with the thanks of the court.

An important resolution passed and presented to the court favored the levying of a direct tax of one and one-half mills for road building purposes in this county instead of the present method of securing funds by issuing bonds.

The jury further reports that in its visit to the county home they found the place overcrowded, having 251 inmates, where there are adequate sleeping facilities for about 150 and 160, many being forced to sleep in beds in the corridors, thereby endangering the lives of those sleeping on the second floor, in event of fire. The grand jury recommends additional fire escapes at the rear of the building or that stairways or inclined planes be constructed at the ends of the corridors. They report everything in excellent shape at the children's home. The only suggestion made is that a fire drill be added to the instruction of the children.

The grand jury refers to the many liquor cases that were before it and comments upon the vigorous prosecutions made by the district attorney and his associates. The grand jury urges a continuation of the prosecution of the illegal sale of liquor and its resultant crimes. To tha end the grand jury recommends that the district attorney and commissioners use their best efforts to secure the location of details of state constabulary, in districts of which Washington, Monongahela, Marianna, and Burgettstown are the centers. The grand jury further suggests that the members of the legislature from this county use their influence to secure the details of the state constabulary whose efficiency has been for law and order of a high standard.

Experienced young lady violinist wishes any kind of orchestra work. Willing to leave town. Write 628 McKean avenue. 185-t3

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Milliken have gone to Pittsburg where they will visit for several days.

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SIGNIFICANT.

Significant remarks were made by President James A. Farrell, of the United States Steel corporation in his Pittsburg address to the Engineers' society Monday evening.

Mr. Farrell, whose position at the head of the United States Steel Corporation affords him unusual opportunities for observation says "the tide has turned and each day records a marked improvement in the situation." But he refrains from rhapsodies, and proceeds to preach the gospel of works rather than of alone. The problem for America is national. There must be more of the get-together spirit, a larger courage in the business world, says the Pittsburg Gazette Times, speaking editorially.

Mr. Farrell appears to be persuaded that the conflict between political elements and the financial and industrial forces of the country is ended. The way then is open for the United States, especially on account of conditions created by the war to go ahead in the conquest of foreign commerce as never before. His idea is that overseas trade can be built up in such volume as we have not yet witnessed and that this business stabilizes domestic production; but neither one nor the other will achieve its best development unless our people and the government work in a constructive and national sense. He suggests something akin to the united purpose and high courage, displayed by the several peoples of Europe in prosecuting war, put by us of the United States into the victories of peace.

There was nothing of partisanship in the address, no discussion of economic theories, but rather a comprehensive inquiry into conditions as they exist and on insistence that the elements of prosperity are at hand if men who can do things, and want to do things and are in position to do things will "go to it." True, there has difference as to PrePsident Farrell is along precisely the same lines. The difference as to President Farrell is that he has brought his data right up to the hour and he indulges in no high-flown generalities, being content with plain statements and the weight of facts to support his exhortation.

INJURY TO ATHLETICS.

Controversy over high school basketball affairs have worked the school folk of Monongahela and Charleroi into a perfect frenzy and so pointed have become the thrusts that an entire severance of athletic relations may result. The trouble is over the arrangement of the playing floor at Monongahela. it being claimed by Charleroi the floor is not in accordance with A. A. U. rules. Hence Charleroi has refused to play there under existing conditions. The matter has become one of much public interest, because of the publicity given it, and the sort of language on the one side that has been used. It is vituperative.

The Charleroi athletic committee and Superintendent of Schools Pollock could be ably defended, since they lived up precisely to contracts, but that is not the purpose in this discussion.

In their hasty words certain Monongahelans referred to the Charleroi schools as a second-rate institution. It isn't even necessary to comment upon such a nasty, ill-tempered, ill-considered statement as this, inasmuch as it proves the character of the authors rather than as a reflection upon the school assailed. We choose not to regard such a supposed insult as serious. It is laughable instead.

It is deplorable that for the sake of an imagined wrong of such insignificance and revengeful desire from such a trivial happening true sportsmanship should be allowed to suffer.

There is in the present case a lack of the true qualities of sportsmanship. Vilification never did true sport any good and never will. Nothing will destroy a progressive community spirit quicker than the presence of it. Meiser Athletics will be made to suffer far more from the thoughtless, hasty words than from any other action. Therein lies occasion for regret in the present occurrence, and not in the posible severance of any relations between the two schools.

Electric Sparks

Underwood had a program but it was a cutting down program that was cut down.

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An increase in the price of bread is declared necessary in certain points and the reason is the war abroad. What a lot that war has to stand for.

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Some alleged printers don't know an "m" from the rest of the pprinter's alphabet.

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The only theme the ragtime song writers have not treated is how to get paid for work you never do.

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An entrance is a place you use when you're on the outside wanting to get in; an exit is the same place when you're on the inside wanting to get out.

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Painting as a profession does not seem to be quite as paying as painting as a trade, nor quite as popular as painting as an art, facial art.

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Churches should advertise, says a Dunbar pastor. There's one leader of thought.

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It is quite noticeable that no country feels quite foolish enough to encourage a war with the United States.

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Why didn't they send that talkative gentlemen—what's his name from out west? yes that's it. John Lind—with Col. House to help along the peace propaganda.

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On the theory that it might accomplish good, we would suggest when the senate runs out of words on the ship bill, it read the Bible.

NOT MUCH RAILROAD WORK

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and is owned jointly by the B.& O., P. & L. E. and the Pennsylvania systems. The road cost in the neighborhood of three million dollars. On the line are 30 heavy cuts and 15 public road crossings. All of the grade crossings have been eliminated with one exception.

It is not known when the laying of the track will be started but it is thought that the road will be ready for traffic early in the summer.

The new piece of road which was started in the year 1914 was built by the Pennsylvania system from Largeloth to the Cedar Grove mines in Jefferson township. This mine had not been operated for some time owing to the destruction of the railroad from the Wabash at Avella more than a year ago by floods. The coal will now be brought out over the Pennsylvania system from Langeloth to Bargettstown. It is believed that this road will be extended to Avella and then southward through the Independence section on through Buffalo creek to Bethany, and eventually to connect with the Ohio river near Wellsburg.

The steam roads were confined to these three pieces. Only one trolley line was built and it is considered an important one to the river sections. This road was built at a cost of a half million or more from Charleroi to Ellsworth and brings the river section in direct communication with the busy Pigeon Creek valley. Cars are run hourly on this road from 6 o'clock in the morning until midnight.

It is predicted that more trolley roads will be built in the county this year.

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Bits of Byplay

By Luke McLuke

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Our Daily Special.

The wise man is the one who knows how little he knows.

Touch.

"Our language is beyond my ken
Compared with Mr. Hutch,
"For I ar w'ite the closest pe
Are those I never touch."

"Rush!"

"The old fogy is an old fashioned fellow, isn't he?" remarked the wise cat.

"Yes," replied the grouch. "He is the kind of man who writes 'Rush' on the envelope when he mail's a letter and imagines that it will have the same effect as a special delivery stamp."

Correct.

Stick to short words and follow them
This isn't my joke.
For if you have to swallow them
The long ones make you choke

His Opinion.

"What do you think of the war in Europe?" asked the thin man.

"General Sherman beat me to the expression," replied the fat man.

Timely Verse

Bill Bowley is a jolt. Alright
He loves his little joke
Says he, My watch is water tight
It's often been in soak."
—Cincinnati Enquirer

Up in an airship Billy wore
His watch—the artful guy—
And to his satisfaction proved
That time could surely fly.
—Memphis Commercial Appeal

Bill does not care for company
When he's in miseree.
When he is dry he does not want
The town he's in to be
—Houston Post.

Things to Worry About.

The thread of a silkworm is one-thousandth of an inch in diameter.

It Happens to Us All.

The jokes I tell are full of fun,
Just wait until I've told you one.
But when my new made yarn I've spun,
Some boob will tell an old one.
—Luke McLuke

A subtle jest leaps off my tongue,
I've slily played it up.
The boob shouts back what I've just sprung
And thinks he made it up
—New York Mail

The Nine Most Indispensable Things.

Garlic.
Spats
Ear muffs.
Rubber collars.
Hot dogs
Finger bowls.
Toy poodles.
Rouge.
Noise.

Names Is Names

O. G. Kneebone lives at Hailey, Ida.

Luke McLuke Says.

A vigilance society has denounced the wearing of low necked dresses on the street and each member of the society will offer a pin to every woman who is exposing her chest. It won't last long. The bill for pins will be about $987,654.00 a week.

What has become of the old fashioned schoolboy who used to hold up his hand and snap his fingers when he wanted to attract teacher's attention?

The man who marries once is entitled to some sympathy, but when he makes the same mistake two or three times he deserves all he gets.

When they are courting he always lies about his income and she always lies about her relatives.

The man who is thrown on his own resources seldom lands in an easy chair.

There are a lot of fool names for laziness, but ennui is about the biggest fool name of the lot.

Why is it that there is always one cartridge left in the empty gun which the cheerful idiot playfully points at the innocent bystander when the fool killer isn't around?

The main reason why there are so many divorces is because there are too many married women and too few wives.

The fashion sheets predict a revolution in underwear. Well, a change is necessary every now and then.

When a man tells you that his wife believes everything he tells her you can bet that he is either a most mendacious or that he hasn't been married more than two weeks.

As a rule, the man who is a great help to his wife and who is handy around the house isn't worth a nickel on any other job.

What has become of the old fashioned supper that consisted of hash and stewed tripe and prunes for dessert?

Ignorance is bliss. That's the reason why a married man often hides his money in the sweat band of his hat for a month after his wife discovers where it is hiding it.

A man will go into a snake dispensary to get away from himself, and after a while he will look into the mirror and see one of himself.

A man will buy himself a pair of crimson socks and be so proud of them that he can't quit his pants high enough. But if his wife buys him a cerise tie he sees red and asks her if she wants people to imagine that he is henpecked.

CHILD WELFARE CIRCLE BEING ORGANIZED HERE

Miss N. L. Smith Here To Engage In Work of Formation—Object is To Improve Child Life Mentally, Morally and Physically.

The work of formation of a Child Welfare Circle is being organized in Charleroi with the object of systematically studying the principals and methods for the proper development of the child, mentally, morally and physically and to raise the standard of community life.

Miss N. L. Smith is in Charleroi now interviewing persons likely to be interested. In and around Pittsburg there are about 20 strong organizations and much good work is being done.

CHARLEROI TEAM WORKING HARD FOR GAME TONIGHT

Local Club Practicing in Anticipation Of Contest With the Lafayettes at Charleroi Rink.

The Charleroi basketball team of the West Penn league is hard at work practicing this afternoon in readiness for the game tonight with the Lafayettes on the local floor, hopeful of breaking the leaders' winning streak. Two new faces will probably be seen in the Charleroi lineup tonight, one of them to be J. D. Kerfoot, formerly of the Central league. The game promises to be one of the best of the season on the local floor.

LADIES AID SOCIETY PLANNING FOR SOCIAL

Side of First Presbyterian Organization Captained by Mrs. Mason to Enjoy Affair Thursday.

The section of the Ladies' Aid society of the First Presbyterian church captained by Mrs. Sherman Mason will hold a social tomorrow night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Peregrine on Washington avenue. The affair will partake to some extent of the nature of a Valentine social. Recently the section captained by Mrs. John G. Steinbaugh held a social in the church that was a success.

Basketball Prices.

Lafayette vs Charleroi tonight. General admission 25 cents. Balcony reserved seats 10 cents extra.

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WANT TO REPEAL FULL CREW ACT

Railroad Companies Claim Plan is Too Expensive.

OTHER 1913 LAWS UNDER FIRE

Legislature Will Devote Much Time to Considering Bills Aimed to Wipe Out What Was Done Two Years Ago—Non-Partisan Judge and Cold Storage Statutes Are Being Attacked

Harrisburg, Feb. 9.—Efforts to repeal altogether or make sweeping amendments in laws enacted only two years ago promise to take up much of the time of the present legislature.

The acts under fire deal with varied subjects, and each has its group of opponents who intend to battle hard to wipe from the statute books the particular legislation which they consider "pernicious" or unsatisfactory."

Foremost among the laws about to be attacked is the full crew act. Railroads do not like it, and agents of the railroads make the assertion that employes have found that it works to their detriment rather than to their benefit. But the representatives of the trainmen deny this statement and announce that they will resist every attempt to repeal the law. It is costing the railroads considerable additional expense, hence the movement to bring about its repeal.

JAMES F. WOODWARD,

Chairman of House Appropriation Committee.

The non-partisan judge law, passed with much enthusiasm in 1913, has through its operation brought upon itself sufficient disfavor to cause the legislature to set it aside and return to the old order of things, when parties nominated men for the bench. Like many other acts of assembly, it is good only in theory.

Members of the senate and house are being flooded with letters against the cold storage law enacted in 1913. The chief complaint is on the short term of storage allowed for butter and eggs. Farmers, produce merchants and cold storage men claim that the present law has worked a great injury to the consumer; that instead of insuring to the people more wholesome food it does nothing but increase the price of dairy products. The law in Pennsylvania is more drastic than in any other state, and as a result the cold storage concerns and farmers in the neighboring states of New York New Jersey and Delaware are being benefitted at the expense of Pennsylvanians.

Representative William H. Wilson, of Philadelphia, who is chiefly responsible for the 1913 act, is out with a statement, in which he defends the law and states that "the people who are protesting against it are the cold storage concerns and the interests closely allied with them."

Bills are in to repeal the act creating the public service commission, while other measures call for a reduction of the powers of this board. Certain members of the legislature are filled up with arguments against the commission, and before the session ends there is a likelihood of a determined effort being made to abolish the board.

ASSESSMENT LEGISLATION

Nine Counties Affected by a Revolutionary Measure.

Harrisburg, Feb. 9.—Nine counties are affected by a revolutionary assessment bill introduced in the house by Representative Dawson, of Lackawanna. It changes the system of assessing taxes in all cities, boroughs and townships in counties containing a population of from 150,000 to 500,000. The counties are Luzerne, Lackawanna, Westmoreland, Schuylkill, Lancaster, Berks, Montgomery, Cambria and Fayette.

The bill provides for the appointment in each county of a board of three members. This board will be appointed, in the first instance, by Governor Brumbaugh, one man for two years, one man for three years and the third man for four years. Subsequently the board members will be appointed for a term of four years by the county commissioners. The assessment board is authorized to name sub-assessors in convenient districts, to be paid at the rate of $3 a day to complete the assessment. The bill would abolish all city, county, ward and township assessors.

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Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Samuel Umbel, deceased, late of Charleroi, Pa.

Letters of administration upon the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to those indebted thereto to make immediate payment and to those having claims or demands to present them for settlement.

John F. Umbel,
Administrator.
Charleroi Pa.

Hugh E. Fergus, Attorney.

J-27-F-3-10-17-24-M-3

Notice To Property Owners.

Claims for the grading, paving and curbing of Lincoln avenue between Sixth street and the intersection of Washington avenue have been placed in the hands of the Borough Solicitor and will be filed at Washington, unless paid on or before Friday, February 12th, 1915.

David M. McCloskey,
Borough Solicitor.
185-t3

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COFFEE, NOW 25c lb.
None better at the price.
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ACHED ALL OVER, HAD PAINS IN CHEST

Jackson, Miss., Minister Tells How He Suffered After the Grippe and How He Was Restored to Health by Vinol.

Jackson, Miss.—"I am a minister of the gospel and I had the grippe so badly that I ached all over, flesh was sore, I had pains in my chest and back, no appetite, was nervous and had a stubborn cough.

"I tried different medicines without benefit; finally a friend recommended Vinol. I tried it and soon noticed an improvement and continuing its use I am entirely relieved of my troubles. I have also used Vinol in my family for chronic coughs and cold with the best results." — O. W. CHILES, Jackson, Miss.

Grippe leaves the blood in a thin devitalized condition. It takes away the appetite and leaves one weak, without energy and often in a dangerous condition.

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Thursday and Friday, Feb. 11 and 12th

REMNANT SALE offers you hundreds and hundreds of remnants of calicoes, ginghams, percales, dress woolens, ribbons, embroideries, laces, silks, trimmings, etc., at bargain prices. Our Annual Stock Taking just completed. All short ends, odd lots, surpluses and mussed goods were brought out. They will all go at Red Ink Prices on Remnant Day. Not a single one must go back on our shelves or racks---so the prices are cut away down and they are Red Ink Ticketed at these "Away Down Prices." Watch for the Red Ink Prices and buy liberally for these two days' selling will close out many lots at such low prices. Others will bring baskets to carry home great bundles of these big bargains---why not get your share.

Don't miss this sale of Suits, Coats, Furnishings and wearables of all kinds, Carpets, Rugs, Linoleums, Curtains, Blankets and short ends of yard goods. The savings are worth your while.

REMNANT PRICES ON READY-TO-WEAR OUTER GARMENTS

This Remnant Sale Means Unmeasured Saving Possibilities for You in Cut Prices

Extraordinary as these prices may seem they are all made on quality merchandise, and will clear our cases and racks of every garment, at a great advantage to you. We promise you the greatest and best bargains ever offered by this store. Prices are half and less.

$9.50 buys any of our extra quality suits worth $12.50, $15, $18 & $20

$12.50 buys any one of our splendid popular priced models that sold for $25 and $27.50

$15.00 gives you choice of our best suits that sold for $30 and $35.

$2.00 will get you one of a lot of winter coats, for children 3 to 14 yrs

$5.00 allows pick of a lot of splendid values in coats worth double and more.

$7.50 At this price we are showing an immense line of handsome coats worth up to $25.00.

All other Coats Go at One-Third Off

$5.00 Suit Sale For $5.00 you get choice of about 40 all wool suits carried over from last season, most of them valued at $20, $25, $27.50 and $30. 'Tis your great chance. Buy now.

Visit our Suit Department for the Great Sale of Suits, Coats, Dresses, Furs, Skirts, Waists and other wearables

REDUCTION ON MEN'S AND YOUNG MEN'S SUITS AND OVERCOATS

It is the cuts we are making on REGULAR STOCKS that counts. They are the real money saving bargain getters for you. You can get the price in wear before the season's end. Suits and overcoats are worth the price to lay away for next season, and you save both ways by buying now.

$10.00 men's and young men's Suits and Overcoats $7.50

$12.00 men's and young men's Suits and Overcoats $8.50

$15.00 men's and young men's Suits and Overcoats, now.....$9.75

$18.00 men's and young men's Suits and Overcoats, now.....$13.75

$20.00 men's and young men's Suits and Overcoats, now.....$14.50

$22.00 men's and young men's Suits and Overcoats, now.....$16.50

$25.00 men's and young men's Suits and Overcoats, now.....$16.50

$2.50 little fellows Suits and Overcoats, now....$1.98

$3.00 little fellows' Suits and Overcoats.....$2.25

$3.50 little fellows' Suits and Overcoats.....$2.50

$4.00 little fellows' Suits and Overcoats, now.....$3.00

$5.00 Suits and Overcoats $3.75

$6.00 Suits and Overcoats $4.25

$7.00 Suits and Overcoats $5.25

$8.00 Suits and Overcoats $5.75

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All goods not sold continue on sale Saturday and Monday

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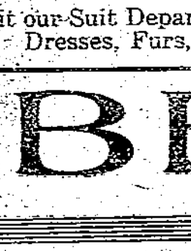
MONEY TO LOAN AT LOWEST RATES

JEWELRY DIAMONDS WATCHES AND ALL VALUABLES



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Charleroi phone 253C

Yes—Many People
have told us the same story—distress after eating, gases, heartburn. A Rexall Dyspepsia Tablet before and after each meal will relieve you. Sold only by us—25c.
Carroll's Drug Store.

NORTH CHARLEROI

William Dunham met with a painful accident while at work Monday moving a building, by fracturing two of his ribs. Medical aid was summoned and he is getting along as well as could be expected but he will be confined to his home for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Cope and daughter Miss Ruth of Brownsville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Cope.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Flenniken and children, Mary, Helen and William spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Russel Howard at Lynns grove. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Flenniken's mother Mrs. L. K. Gabler.

Mrs. John Hogan who was injured a few days ago by a fall is slowly recovering.

Jacob Gulentz who is employed at Pittsburg spent Sunday with his family here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gillis and daughter Vera spent Sunday in Monessen.

Mrs. Laura Baker returned to her home at Point Marion Tuesday after visting her daughter Mrs. William Dunham.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gaskill and children were recent callers in Fayette City.

Two big remnant days, Saturday and Monday at Kirk & Clark. 186-t2

LOOK AT THIS

LEE WAH
will wash your clothes clean, iron them just right and charge you a reasonable price. His laundry is at 609 McKean avenue.

FIRE, WATER AND SMOKE

Continued from page one.

the Adams' Express company's office and ware room to get at a blaze that threatened dire consequences at the back. By the use of heavy streams of water at various points the fire was finally controlled within about half an hour and the smoke nuisance abated, so that the tinier blazes in out of way corners could be entirely extinguished. It was late in the evening before the fire was completely out and careful watching was made necessary the early part of the night to prevent any possibility of an outbreak.

Insurance men were at worrk together with estimators this morning to set an estimate on the damage. Smoke caused a loss, as it did damage to every room in the hotel. However, everything considered, including resultant furnace trouble, the loss will hardly be more than $1,000 or $1,200.

A. L. Jackson of Pittsburg, divisio agent of the Adams' Express company arrived early this morning to assist Manager William Hyatt in placing an estimate on the damage done in the express company's place. There were 14 packages of unknown value given a pretty good soaking by water, but none entirely destroyed. Office furniture was damaged by water but it is believed the boss will be slight.

Dr. Clark to Speak.

Several Monongahela valley people have arranged to go to Pittsburg tomorrow night to attend a banquet at the Hotel Schenley, when Dr. Francis E. Clark, founder of the Christian Endeavor will be a speaker.

The Spring Number
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Illustrating the Celebrated
Pictorial Review Patterns
NOW ON SALE

Resplendent in illustrations, many in color, and filled to overflowing with the very newest and best style ideas for 1915, comes THE FASHION BOOK for Spring—a veritable treasure chest of suggestions for the woman who wants to be well-dressed.
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now on sale
FRANK RIVA

A Convalescent
requires a food tonic that will rapidly build up wasted tissue
Rexall Olive Oil Emulsion
containing Hypophosphites
is a most reliable prescription which we always recommend for that purpose.
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FIVE-CENT POSTAGE RATE TO GERMANY NOW IN FORCE

Postoffice Department Makes Necessity Announcement—War Causes Suspension of Two-Cent Rate Effective for Some Time.

The 2-cent postage rate between the United States and Germany withdraw, according to an announcement at the Charleroi postoffice. For some time past the rate to Germany when letters were sent by direct boat from the United States to Germany has been 2 cents an ounce, the same as the rate for letters mailed in the United States for delivery to a point within the United States. Letters which required transit through any intervening country or countries were subjected to the postal union rate of 5 cents for the first ounce and 3 cents for each additional ounce.

As there is no direct service to Germany and all letters must pass through some other country, the United States postal authorities have suspended the 2-cent rate and all letters for Germany must now bear postage at the rate of 5 cents for the first ounce and 3 cents for each additional ounce. Letters which are not fully prepaid at this rate will be allowed to go forward, but will be subject to a charge on delivery of double the amount of deficient postage. The same rate and conditions will apply to letters mailed in Germany for delivery in the United States.

ACTIVITY IN WASHINGTON COUNTY COAL CONTINUES

Fayette County Receiverships Fail To Stop Trading in Black Diamonds —Sale Now Under Contemplation.

Activity in coal in Washington county is not entirely at a standstill regardless of the fact that the affairs of J. V. Thompson the coal king of Uniontown are in the hands of receivers. During the past few days options have been taken on a large block of coal land in the Glyde section and along the line of the new Chartiers Southern railroad at $330 per acre. This road will be completed early in the spring and it is believed that considerable coal activity will be shown in that community as new mines are bound to open up. The options extend until June 1.

This same block, which contains about 1600 acres, was under option twice before but now the farmers and landowners feel that this means a sale as the new railroad wil soon be ready for operations. The fact that $330 is being offered shows that Washington county coal is still in demand.

Some of the farms included in the block are those of Solomon Wonsettler, Mrs. Samuel Wonsettler, Hana heirs, Bristor heirs, Tombaugh heirs, Bryon E. Tombaugh and others.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN W. JOBES ENTERTAIN TUESDAY

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Jobes entertained a number of young friends at their home on Meadow avenue Tuesday evening. Guests were W. C. Jobes, W. A. Jobes, Miss Sarah Abramovitz, Miss Dora Goldstone, Mrs. J. Birkin, Mrs. P. Wayne, Harry Miller, Mac Wayne, of Charleroi and Miss Sarah Cooper of Pittsburg. Violin music and singing were features. Lunch was served at 11 o'clock.

J. B. Tussing was a caller in Pittsburg Wednesday.

CLASSIFIED!

FOR SALE—Articles of household furniture, 416 Lincoln avenue. 185-t2p

FOR SALE—Wall soda fountain in first class condition. A bargain to quick buyer. Inquire "C. M." care of Mail. 185-t3

WANTED—District manager and canvasser. Address "G. M." care of Mail. 185-t3

FOR SALE—Kitchen coal range, $45 Favorite range for $15, 307 Meadow avenue. 186-t3p

WANTED—Position as housework-er by girl who speaks Slavok and German. Apply 465 Mail. 186-t3p

FOR RENT—Three rooms, bath and laundry, 619 Fallowfield. 186-t3

WAR BULLETINS

Washington, D. C., Feb. 10—It is understood no formal protest will be made against the use by the steamer Lusitania of the Stars and Stripes by the United States government, because of the realization that it was used as a ruse of war. However attention will be called to how easily neutral commerce will suffer from such practice.

London, Feb. 10.—Chief interest now lies in the fighting in the eastern zone, where titanic battles are in progress before Warsaw in the Carpathians, in Galicia and East Prussia. West Prussia is the goal of the Russians, who propose to drive a wedge between Tilsit and Insterburg in order to gain control of strong positions.

DUSTIN FARNUM AS CAMEO KIRBY AT COYLE

An excellent photoplay has been programmed as the attraction at the Coyle theatre for Thursday afternoon and evening. "Cameo Kirby" a fascinating southern dramatic romance will be shown. Dustin Farnum, a well known motion picture actor who is in the title role is supported by an all star cast. The picture is one released on the famous Paramount program.

PERSONALS

John Jenkins spent Wednesday in Uniontown.

Mrs. George Woodhall, Mrs. Leroy Price and Miss Helen Woodhall have gone to Bellevue to be guests of Mrs. Jennie Jolliffe.

Miss Mabel Strausser visited at Pittsburg Wednesday.

Charles Simon and A. Bertsche have gone to Mount Clemens, Mich., to spend three weeks.

Rev. J. E. Charles, Rev. John R. Burson and W. C. Clark were visitors in Pittsburg Tuesday to attend the meeting of the Presbytery.

Miss Julia Schwaed has returned to Steubenville after visiting over Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Leo Schwaed.

Mr. and Brs. C. E. Bunting and Mrs. Eliabeth Clerihue returned to Wilkinsburg after visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clerihue. They were accompanied by Miss Ruth Clerihue who will be their guest for several daays.

Advertise

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"Cameo Kirby challenges Col. Moreau"

Dustin Farnum in "Cameo Kirby," Coyle Theatre Tomorrow

Worry Kills More Men Than Fever

The workman who is continually worried over financial difficulties is carrying a double burden—he's worse than the man with walking typhoid fever. Horace Fletcher says "Worry is a sneak thief." It constantly steals the man's strength of mind and body. Eliminate the worry habit by starting a savings account with this bank, add a small percentage of your salary each pay day—it will care for those financial difficulties that come to the family from sickness and other misfotune.

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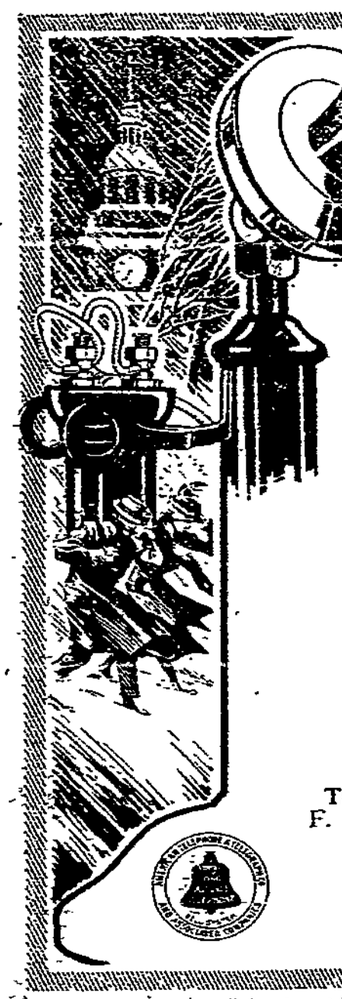

"STORM PROOF!"

What is snugger than a raincoat, cheaper than a doctor's bill, swifter than a fast express, an ever-present help and a joy forever?

It says: "Stay home and send your voice" and its initials are "B. T."—*You* say it!

If you haven't one, say "What does it cost," to the Business Office, to-day.

The Central District Tel. Co.
F. B. Burwell, Local Manager.
Charleroi, Pa.

Neuralgia

There is no need to suffer the annoying, excruciating pain of neuralgia; Sloan's Liniment laid on gently will soothe the aching head like magic. Don't delay. Try it at once.

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"I have been a sufferer with Neuralgia for several years and have tried different Liniments, but Sloan's Liniment is the best Liniment for Neuralgia on earth. I have tried it successfully; it has never failed."—*F. H. Williams, Augusta, Ark.*

Mrs. Ruth C. Claypool, Independence, Mo., writes: "A friend of ours told us about your Liniment. We have been using it for 13 years and think there is nothing like it. We use it on everything, sores, cuts, burns, bruises, sore throat, headaches and on everything else. We can't get along without it. We think it is the best Liniment made."

SLOAN'S LINIMENT

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RESULTS TELL

There Can Be No Doubt About the Results in Charleroi.

Results tell the tale.
All doubt is removed.
The testimony of a Charleroi citizen.
Can be easily investigated.
What better proof can be had?

Mrs. Rowe, 1005 McKean Ave., Charleroi, Pa., says: "For some time one of the family thought he had rheumatism. He suffered from severe pains in his back and limbs and found it hard to stoop to put on his shoes. Every fall and winter he was bothered. He finally got Doan's Kidney Pills from Piper's Pharmacy and began taking them. In a short time he felt much better. I used this remedy some years ago and know that it lives up to the claims made for it."

Confirmed Proof.

On January 29, 1914, Mrs. Rowe said: "I am willing to have you continue using my name recommending Doan's Kidney Pills. They have never failed to rid us of kidney disorders. I advise anyone being bothered with their kidneys to try this remedy."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Rowe had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

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A SAFE WHITE BRIGHT LIGHT

The light that saves your eyes and saves you trouble. Poor oil cannot give this kind of light, but

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Our First Theater.

In 1752 the first theater in the United States was opened in the colony of Virginia at old Williamsburg. The originator was an English actor, William Hallam, Sr., who brought his own company from over seas and presented "The Merchant of Venice" as the initial performance. The idea spread rapidly, and soon New York, Philadelphia and the other leading communities of colonial America each had its theater. While the Virginia Playhouse was the first in the United States, actors had played in the colonies before this date. The first is said to have been the English strolling player, Anthony Aston, who was known as Mat Medley. The actor and his art of that day were generally despised by the Puritanical colonists. The Massachusetts legislature passed a law shortly after amateurs had given "The Orphans" at the Coffee House in Boston in 1749 which forbade such performances, prescribing a penalty for actors and spectators alike of $25 each.

Evolution of a Name.

Cosmo Innes, in his work on surnames, quotes an instance showing the gradual transformation of a patronymic. "A respectable citizen of Dublin named Halfpenny throve in trade, so his children prevailed on him in his latter years to change the name, which they thought undignified, and this he did chiefly by dropping the last letter. He died and was buried as Mr. Hatpen. The fortune of the family did not recede, and the son of our citizen thought proper to renounce retail dealing, and at the same time looked about for a euphonious change of name. He made no scruple of dropping the unnecessary 'h.' That being done, it was easy to go into the Celtic rage, which 'The Lady of the Lake' had just raised to a great height. So he who had run the streets as little Kenny Halfpenny came out at the levees as Kenneth McAlpin, the descendant of a hundred kings."—London Chronicle.

Diplomacy.

When King Alfonso of Spain is staying at San Sebastian, says the Manchester News, he frequently goes across to Biarritz for an afternoon of recreation.

On one occasion he arrived at the station there and hailed a fiacre. The driver recognized him, and when his majesty asked what the fare was said, "For the king of Spain it will be 10 francs." The king smiled and merely paid the ordinary fare as provided by the tariff. To that amount, however, he added a tip of the usual size.

A few days later he was again in Biarritz and also took a fiacre. But on this occasion the cocher was more diplomatic. When asked the amount of the fare he replied, "Your majesty owes me nothing for the small service I have had the honor to render him." His majesty replied to this courteous speech by presenting the cabby with a 100 franc note.

Bricks From Babylon.

There is a law in the Turkish empire prohibiting the exportation of relics and antiques more than 100 years old, and the fact that it is on the statute books gives rise to the common practice of offering spurious articles to the tourist. Real objects of art or of sufficient age to be of value are rarely to be purchased, and the general desire of the visitor, therefore, seems to be to obtain stones or pieces of clay from the sites of ancient ruins or bricks with inscriptions. The former can probably be obtained, but they are practically valueless, as one piece of clay from Babylon is quite like another from Mosul. Bricks from either of these places that are known to be genuine are unobtainable.

With Military Honors.

It is not universally known what is meant by a funeral "with full military honors." In such a funeral the coffin is borne on a gun carriage.

If the dead soldier was an infantryman his sword and helmet rest on his coffin.

At the funeral of a cavalry soldier his sword and helmet are fastened to the saddle of his horse, which is led immediately behind the gun carriage, and his top boots, with spurs attached, are fastened in the stirrups, with the toes pointing backward.

A firing party, drawn, if possible, from the deceased's regiment, fire three volleys over the grave, and the "Last Post" is then sounded by buglers.—Pearson's Weekly.

Why He Didn't Cry.

Mother—Goodness, how did you hurt your finger so?

Little Son—With a hammer.

"When?"

"A good while ago."

"I didn't hear you cry."

"No, mother. I thought you were out."—Stray Stories.

Wisdom.

Hope and success make a finer tonic than medicine.

The best tonic is fresh air.

The best restorative is sleep.

The best stimulant is exercise.

Fatigue calls for rest and not the spur.—Wisconsin State Journal.

One View of Golf.

"Pop, what is golf?"

"Golf, my son, is just the same as work, except that you get paid for work."—Pittsburgh Press.

A Good Start.

"He offers me a platonic affection."

"Well, take it. A platonic affection often leads to the real thing."—Pittsburgh Post.

Experience teaches a lot of things we never cared to learn.—Judge.

ANCIENT GREEK TRAINING.

What It Did For the Boy Physically and Intellectually.

The manner in which the Athenians trained up their children is worth remembering.

At seven years of age the Athenian lad entered the palestra, which was essentially a playground. All the best and better part of the day was spent in gymnastics, dancing, games and play. In the afternoon there were singing, some writing, some reading, all in the open air, and then came a long period of play again. Such was the schooling of the Greek lad up to the age of ten or eleven, and it did not differ essentially up to the age of sixteen, except in the severity of the exercises.

And yet the world has not ceased to marvel at the results of the Greek education. It produced the highest type of man, physically and intellectually, that the world has ever seen, which Galton says was as far in advance of the modern Englishman as the modern Englishman is in advance of the native African.

In physical beauty, courage and patriotism, in philosophy, literature, architecture and art, the Greeks have been the unsurpassed models of the ages and are still the inspiration of our schools today. But they placed the emphasis upon hygiene, exercise, games and play, which are too much neglected in these days.—Kansas City Star.

THE PLANET MERCURY.

It Is Difficult to Weigh, and Its Orbit Is Very Eccentric.

Though Mercury is one of the smallest of the planets, it is perhaps the most troublesome of all to the astronomer.

It lies so close to the sun that it is seen but seldom in comparison with the other great planets. Its orbit is very eccentric, and it experiences disturbances by the attraction of other bodies in a way not yet fully understood.

A special difficulty has also been found in the attempt to place Mercury in the weighing scales. We can weigh the whole earth, we can weigh the sun, the moon and even Jupiter and other planets, but Mercury presents difficulties of a peculiar character. Le Verrier, however, succeeded in devising a method of weighing it.

He demonstrated that our earth is attracted by this planet, and he showed how the amount of attraction may be disclosed by observations of the sun, so that from an examination of the observations he made an approximate determination of the mass of Mercury.

Le Verrier's result indicated that the weight of the planet was about the fifteenth part of the weight of the earth. In other words, if our earth was placed in a balance and fifteen globes, each equal to Mercury, were laid in the other the scales would hang evenly.—"Story of the Heavens."

Spain's Arbitration Court.

"The most unique and interesting institution for the settlement of civil suits in Spain," writes Thomas W. Palmer, Jr., in Case and Comment, "is the arbitration court. All contentions or disputes before or after the commencement of litigation, no matter how far advanced, can be submitted to an arbitration tribunal by agreement of all the interested parties. The exceptions to this are those suits involving political and civil rights, etc., or those matters in which the state is especially concerned. The arbitrators, whose number must not exceed five, are lawyers of twenty-five or more years of age and in full enjoyment of civil rights. In some instances the arbitrators may be laymen (amigables componedores). Appeal is made from the arbitration direct to the territorial appeal court. This method of deciding claims has proved successful and is employed considerably."

Speculative Life Insurance.

A mania for speculative insurances on the lives of public personages prevailed in England during the eighteenth century. Warren Hastings, the pretender, the rebel lord or the unfortunate Admiral Byng answered equally the purpose of speculation, and there were also regular quotations on the lives of notorious highwaymen. Sir Robert Walpole at one period of his career, when his life was endangered by popular tumults, was insured for many thousands, and when George II fought at Dettingen 25 per cent was paid against his return. Such speculative insurances were, however, largely checked by the gambling act of 1774, which made insurable interest a necessary condition for a valid policy.

He Knew.

The professor of the class in English history was telling his young men of the impressionable age about the Elizabethan era when, suddenly turning to one of the young men, who seemed to be in a dream, with a faraway gaze, he said.

"And how old was Elizabeth Mr. Case?"

"Eighteen last birthday," came the instant reply.

The Largest Reptile.

The largest existent reptile is the man eating salt water crocodile of southern Asia and Australia, which, when full grown, measures thirty feet in length from end of nose to tip of tail. One man makes hardly more than a mouthful for this fearsome creature.

She Knew It.

He—Didn't it ever occur to you that I was in love with you? She—Certainly; haven't you ever noticed me laughing to myself?—Topeka Journal.

BAYONET CHARGES.

Hand to Hand Conflicts Are Rare Upon the Field of Battle.

In a talk about military methods in warfare Gen. Stephen M. Weld, in discussing so-called bayonet charges, said:

"I do not know of a single case in our war where bayonets were actually crossed. I heard of one or two, but I never happened to see one.

"In the numerous charges made by our corps in the Wilderness campaign the only one we ever made successfully was on the 17th of June. One division had already charged and been repulsed. Our division was then ordered to make a charge across a plain, some 200 yards wide. Colonel Gould had command of the division, which placed the brigade in my hands.

"Before charging the men were ordered to remove the caps from their guns and when they did charge were told to let it like blazes, which they did. In almost no time we were over the 200 yards, subjected to a storm of shell and canister and only one volley from the infantry in the enemy's trenches. One-half of the men in our regiment were lost in this charge.

"Here was a case where you would suppose we might have crossed bayonets. On the contrary, the Confederates fled, the same as we would have done had we been attacked. We captured their knapsacks and everything they had in the trenches just as they were."—Exchange.

A FAMOUS DETECTIVE.

Vidocq Was a Notorious Thief Before He Joined the Police.

Modern detectives, as a rule, are fitted for their work by a long course of police training. But not so Vidocq, the great French detective, who was born in Arras in 1775. He began life as a baker and early became the terror of his companions by his athletic frame and violent disposition. At the same time he was a notorious thief, and after many disgraceful adventures he enlisted in the army.

In 1796 he returned to Paris with some money, which, however, he soon squandered. Next he was sentenced at Lille to eight years' hard labor for forgery, but repeatedly escaped, and in 1808 he became connected with the Paris police as a detective.

His previous career enabled him to render important services, and he was appointed chief of the safety brigade, chiefly composed of reprieved convicts, which purged Paris of the many dangerous classes. In 1818 he received a full pardon, and his connection with this service lasted until about 1828, when he settled at St. Mande as a paper manufacturer.

Soon after the revolution of 1830 he became a political detective, but with little success. In 1848 he was again employed under the republican government, but he died penniless in 1857.—London Standard.

Queer Pronunciations.

There are many names of places in England that puzzle the stranger. Happisburgh, in Norfolk, for instance, is pronounced "Hazeboro." Abergavenny simply drops a syllable and becomes "Abergenny," and it is alleged that St. Neots sounds more like "Snoots" than anything else. Cirencester seems to vary from "Sister" to "Sizeter." In Suffolk Waldringfield is "Wunnerful" and Chelmondiston "Chimston," while in the adjoining county of Norfolk Hunstanton is "Hunston," and in the west country Badgeworthy is "Badgery" and Cornwood "Kernood." Huntingdonshire claims the purest English, but they call Papworth "Parpor." And not far from there a motorist turned upon a rough road and asked the intelligent laborers where it would take him. "That road," said the honest countryman, wiping his brow, "will take you to 'Eli, sir." The courageous motorist went on and found Ellsworth which is pronounced "Elser."—Manchester Guardian.

Fruitful Combination.

In New York a new teacher found that a little negro girl was named Fertilizer Johnson.

"Are you sure Fertilizer is your right name?" she asked.

"Yes, ma'am," replied the little girl.

"Well, tell your mother to come here," said the teacher.

The mother came the next day.

"Yes, Fertilizer is right," she said. "You see, I named her after her father and mother both. Her father's name is Ferdinand, and my name is Liza, so we called her Fertilizer."—New York Globe.

Her Reason.

The beautiful girl was writing a letter.

"I am writing," she mused, "not because I have something special to say but because I have nothing special to do."

Thus does the busy little bee employ each shining hour.—Philadelphia Ledger.

How He Won Her.

She—Mamma is opposed to you because you never minded your mother and were never considerate with your sisters. He—Perhaps you would rather marry some chap who would want his mother and sisters to come live with you? She—Horrors, no! How foolish mamma is!—New York Weekly.

Rubbing It In.

The Wife—I recall our courtship days, those blissful days. The Brute—When I was in a blissful daze!—Philadelphia Ledger.

Work as they work who are ambitious.—Hindu Saying.

A CUP OF COFFEE.

It Has No Value as Food, but It Has a Stimulating Effect.

The infusion of coffee presents practically very little that is of direct nutritive value, says a writer in the London Tablet, but by diminishing nervous fatigue by virtue chiefly of the caffeine present, it may increase muscular power. It is not itself a builder of tissue. The use of coffee after dinner is of interest to note, is justified in a large number of cases by the fact of its stimulating effect upon the nervous centers, and it is said to serve to some extent as an antidote to alcohol.

It is commonly claimed to remove drowsiness. As a matter of fact, in many subjects it produces drowsiness, but this is usually followed by marked wakefulness. The practice of drinking coffee after a meal for the sake of the stimulus which is experienced has much to be said in its favor theoretically.

There is no reason for supposing that coffee possesses any value as a food. The berry contains a quite important proportion of fatty substances (12 per cent average), but these are necessarily excluded from the infusion, as, owing to their insolubility, they remain in the "grounds."

According to our analysis, the protein contents of a cup of coffee are small, approximating to 1.25 per cent of the coffee extracted. This amount can have little dietetic significance. There is also a trifling quantity of sugar present, besides traces of alcohol, which again can possess no importance from a physiological point of view.

WOOD FOR VIOLINS.

Maple Is the Best and Is What the Old World Famed Makers Used.

In the finest violins the body is made of white maple. In cheap ones violet ebony is used. In medium priced ones alternate leaves of the two are employed. The best wood of all is that of the spruce, a tree resembling a fir in general appearance, which grows in central and northern Europe, but musical instrument makers set special value on that from the Vosges mountains. Its wood is most homogeneous and has the advantage over all others that there is scarcely any difference between the sap wood and the heart.

Violet ebony, which comes from Brazil, Africa and India, is much used for pianos. True ebony is now so expensive that it is reserved for nuts and twisters.

Sycamore maple, somewhat less homogeneous than white maple and hence less sonorous, is employed chiefly in making mandolins.

The wood of trees from high altitudes and a severe climate is much better than that from plains and warmer countries for all purposes in which sonority is desired. And it should have had not less than 200 or 300 years of growth, and its concentric circles should be no more than two or three millimeters apart.

The ancient violin makers, Stradivarius, Amati, Guarnerius and the others, used the finest and best seasoned maple, and this, with their perfect varnish, is why their violins have lasted so long.—New York World.

The Seven Wise Men of Greece.

The seven wise men of Greece were Thales of Miletus, Periander of Corinth, Cleobulus of Lyndus, Chilon of Lacedaemon, Solon of Athens, Bias of Prienne and Pittacus of Mitylene. Some fishermen of Miletus sold a draft of fishes to a bystander. When the net was drawn in it contained a golden tripod, and the purchaser claimed it was his, while the fishermen contended that they sold only the fish that might be in the net. The dispute was referred to the oracle of Delphi, who awarded the tripod to the wisest man in Greece. Thereupon it was taken to Thales, who declined it and suggested that it be given to Bias. He in turn refused to accept it, and thus it was successively declined by all the seven, and they were thereafter known as the seven wise men of Greece.

Beltane.

In the highlands of Scotland and in Ireland May 1 was called Beltane. This was the name of an ancient pagan festival, traces of which have survived to this day. The name is still used for May day in Gaelic Scotland. It is said that the druids on that day used to make two fires with great incantations and drive their cattle between them as a safeguard against disease.

Every Move a Picture.

"That movie star spends all his time in bed when he isn't acting."

"Is the work, then, so awfully arduous?"

"No, but he can't bear to stand around in elegant poses that he isn't being paid for."—Pittsburgh Post.

The Only Way.

"I done wore out three foots of a graveyard rabbit in de hopes of good luck comin' my way," said Brother Williams, "an' I des 'bout come ter de conclusion dat de only way ter git dar is ter go ter work fer yo' livin'."—Atlanta Constitution.

Appropriate Emblem.

"You women ought to organize a society for the encouragement of pickpockets."

"What do you mean?"

"And adopt as your insignia the dangling hand bag."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

What you do for an ungrateful man is thrown away.—Latin Proverb.